

Events	TODAY – 5/17	Tomorrow – 5/18	Coming up ...	Yesterday's Events	Lead Stories
House GOP	* On floor: Defense; * Hastert, Watts, Arme, DeLay, Combest news conference on China trade with Schafer; * Wolf, Smith of N.J. news conference on China trade; * Archer markup of China trade, telephone excise tax; * Combest hearing on China trade with Glickman; * Gekas subcommittee on Internet tax.	* On floor: Defense; * McCollum subcommittee on probation, firearms; * Kasich hearing on Medicare; * Chambliss task force on Medicare regulations; * Shays subcommittee on State Dept.'s strategic performance planning process; * Cubin hearing on mineral rights, employee rights.	* 5/19 Goodlatte, Bliley, Tauzin to host privacy summit; * 5/20 Watts to deliver keynote address at NRA convention; * 5/20 Shimkus, Crane to participate in business roundtable in Springfield, Ill; * 5/22 Davis of Va., Weldon of Pa. to participate in AIPAC 2000 policy conference; * 5/24 Kasich task force on education accounting weaknesses.	* On floor: suspensions, military construction passed (386-22), budget process reform failed (166-250); * Watts, Kolbe news conference on China trade; * Hastert attended Olympic dinner, U.S. Association of Former Members of Congress dinner; * Weller, Davis of Va., news conference on Internet charges; * Manzullo subcommittee on China trade.	ABC World News (Tues.) 1. Fed raises interest rates 2. House panel to vote on China trade 3. Midwest, South drought to linger NBC Nightly News (Tues.) 1. Fed raises interest rates 2. Kaiser HMO hit with \$1M fine 3. Midwest, South drought to linger CBS Evening News (Tues.) 1. Fed sets biggest rate hike in 5 years 2. Poll finds 87% give Clinton credit for economy 3. Winds threaten to spread Los Alamos fire Fox Special Report (Tues.) 1. Clinton continues to lobby on China trade 2. Bush, Gore continue Social Security debate 3. Clinton to join first lady at state convention
Senate GOP	* On floor: military construction; * Roth markup of China trade; * McCain hearing on global warming; * McConnell markup of campaign finance reform; * Inhofe subcommittee on clean air.	* On floor: Defense; * Thompson news conference on "E-Government Project" with Lieberman; * Stevens hearing on Defense, legislative branch; * Thomas of Wy. subcommittee on heritage areas.	* 5/19 Thompson to participate in discussion on "Overseeing the Executive;" * 5/19 Lugar to participate in forum on "A National Institute on Economic Sanctions;" * 5/19 Collins subcommittee on criminal activities affecting Internet commerce.	* On floor: military construction; * Lott met with Ireland President McAleese; * Lott, Sessions attended reception on the Civil War; * Brownback subcommittee on religious freedom in China, Russia, Sudan.	Washington Post (Wed.) 1. Fed raises key interest rates 2. EPA links dioxin to cancer 3. Microsoft's lobbying largess pays off Washington Times (Wed.) 1. Bush gun aim on mark, polls say 2. Dems nominate Hillary for Senate 3. Fed increases rates by ½ point New York Times (Wed.) 1. Fed lifts key rate ½ point 2. Trucks, buses facing curbs on emissions 3. N.Y. Dems nominate Mrs. Clinton USA TODAY (Wed.) 1. Return to St. Helens Volcano's fury offers 20 years of lessons 2. EPA to hit pollution by diesel 3. Fed boosts rates a half point
Govs	* Bush of Texas in Wash. to deliver speech on trade.	* Whitman in Korea, to meet Ministers, Seoul Mayor.	* 5/23 Bush of Texas to speak to House Republican Conference.	* Schafer, Cellucci news conference on China trade with Watts, Kolbe .	
President	* In Conn. to deliver U.S. Coast Guard Academy commencement address, attend DNC "soft money" fundraiser.	* To sign Africa trade bill, meet with Nelson Mandela.	* 5/19 To attend DCCC "soft money" fundraiser in Philadelphia, expected to raise \$500,000.	* Made statement on prescription drugs, spoke at Mexican-American Legal Defense dinner, attended N.Y. state nominating convention.	
1st Lady	* In N.Y. to "listen."	* In N.Y., to attend Teamster's retiree division celebration.	* 5/24 To join President, VP at National Tribute All-Star Concert.	* Nominated for U.S. Senate by N.Y. state Democratic convention.	
VP Gore	* In Orlando, to address AARP convention, participate in Voter.com ``fireside chat."	* In Washington, D.C. for Gore 2000 events.	* 5/19 In Washington, D.C. for Gore 2000 events.	* Hosted discussion on Social Security, gave commencement address at Columbia Law School.	
Cabinet	* Reno news conference on violence against women with Biden.	* Reno to hold media availability.	* 5/22 Summers to address AIPAC 2000 policy conference.	* Summers made remarks at anniversary of the EX-IM Bank.	
Dems	* Daschle, Lieberman, Feingold, Durbin, Kerry, Torricelli news conference on campaign finance; * Bonior, Evans to join Wolf, Smith of N.J. news conference on China trade.	* Lieberman news conference on "E-Government Project" with Thompson; * Miller of Calif. to host event on Bushmeat crisis in Africa.	* 5/19 Frank to address conference on drug policy reform; * 5/22 Frost to participate in AIPAC 2000 policy conference.	* Gephardt, Obey news conference on administration's spending priorities; * Gephardt, Daschle news conference with National Council on Senior Citizens.	

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